

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2001 - 0900 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Eight new large fires were reported, three in Western Great Basin, two each in Northern California and Northwest, and one in Southern Area. Eight large fires reach containment status, four in Northern California, two in Western Great Basin, and one each in Northern Rockies and Southern Area. Moderate to heavy initial attack activity was reported in Northern California and Northwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

TROUGH, Mendocino National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. This fire is four miles west of Stoneyford, CA. Limited access in the Snow Mountain Wilderness coupled with the fire advancing into heavier fuels will slow containment efforts. Most of the containment activity will be concentrated in the wilderness area for the next several operational periods. Areas accessible by roads along the south and west flanks are currently in mopup and patrol status.

BLUE COMPLEX, Modoc National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Gage) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles east of Likely, CA. Evacuations in the Blue Lake area are still in effect. Significant spread of the fire in all directions was observed.

OBSERVATION, Northern California District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. This fire is east of Ravendale, CA. The fire has spread southeast towards Shinn Ranch. MODOC COMPLEX, Modoc National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bright) is assigned. This complex of fires near Canby, CA, consists of the Bell, Rock and Kellogg fires. The Bell fire exhibited active fire growth with gusty afternoon winds and low relative humidity.

BUZZ, Northern California District, BLM. The fire is 12 miles east of Eagleville, CA. This is two converged fires, the Black and Buzz. Local ranchers had to remove cattle from the area.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
TROUGH	CA	MNF	11350	51	8/16	1453	38	21	12	16		1.7M
BLUE COMPLEX	CA	MDF	8000	5	UNK	811	30	16	2	0		175K
OBSERVATION	CA	NOD	30000	15	UNK	698	22	24	4	0		NR
MODOC COMPLEX	CA	MDF	2155	10	UNK	888	22	28	2	0		235K
BUZZ	CA	NOD	2000	0	UNK	59	1	7	1	0		NR
SHAFFER	CA	NOD	1100	100	---	0	0	0	0	0		NR
COWHEAD	CA	NOD	700	100	---	23	1	0	0	0		NR
DEL VALLE	CA	SCU	115	100	---	76	6	4	0	0		721K

EAST |CA| SHU| 624|100| ---| 904| 24| 8| 3| 0| 856K

SCU = Santa Clara Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry
 SHU = Shasta Trinity Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

JACKIE'S BUTTE COMPLEX, Vale District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jackson) is assigned. This lightning caused fire, burning in grass and sagebrush, is ten miles east of Rome, OR. This complex consists of Jackie's Butte, Jordan Creek, West Crater and Iron Mountain fires. West Crater and Jordan Creek withstood high winds associated with passing thunderstorm activity. However, Jackie's Butte experienced a significant increase in acreage.

LAKEVIEW COMPLEX, Fremont National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. This complex of fires is in the Lakeview, OR area. The complex consists of the Johnson Creek and South Warner fires. The Johnson Creek fire is threatening the town of Paisley, OR and evacuation plans have been prepared.

QUARTZ, Oregon Department of Forestry. An Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Gilpin) is assigned. This fire is ten miles southwest of Medford, OR. Short range spotting and torching have been observed.

MUSTANG, Lakeview District, BLM. This fire is burning in light fuels seven miles southeast of Wagontire, OR. Gusty winds have pushed the fire into inaccessible terrain.

BIG JUNIPER, Lakeview District, BLM. This wind driven fire is burning in a continuous stand of juniper between Alkalai and Abert, OR.

SHEEPSHEAD, Burns District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. This fire is 75 miles southeast of Burns, OR.

IRON MOUNTAIN, Burns District, BLM. This fire is 22 miles southwest of Burns, OR. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
JACKIE'S BUTTE	OR	VAD	67000	85	8/12	244	4	43	1	0	423K
LAKEVIEW COMPLE	OR	FRF	3500	30	UNK	654	15	48	9	0	918K
QUARTZ	OR	ORS	3000	0	UNK	384	16	9	0	0	470K
MUSTANG	OR	LAD	3500	10	UNK	31	1	6	0	0	NR
BIG JUNIPER	OR	LAD	600	0	UNK	49	3	5	0	0	10K
SHEEPSHEAD	OR	BUD	37000	0	UNK	180	5	14	1	0	190K
IRON MOUNTAIN	OR	BUD	500	40	UNK	28	0	6	0	0	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

FISH, Carson City Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Terwilliger) is assigned. This fire is ten miles northeast of Doyle, CA. Extreme fire behavior and high flame lengths were experienced as the fire expanded to the west. Extremely dry conditions and downslope winds are hampering containment efforts.

MURPHY, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Broyles) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is 70 miles north of Elko, NV. Fire activity moderated, with smoldering and creeping observed as it continued to burn in grass, sagebrush, aspen and mountain mahogany.

SHEEP, Elko Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Burdick) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is 25 miles north of Battle Mountain, NV. Extreme fire behavior was observed, including fire whirls, running and spotting.

KRUM, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. This lightning caused fire burning in grass and sagebrush is seven miles northwest of Winnemucca, NV. With support from Single Engine Air Tankers, crews were able to make good progress with fireline construction.

JORDAN MEADOWS, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. This fire, burning in grass and brush, is 75 miles north to northwest of Winnemucca, NV. Air tankers were successful in assisting crews with containment efforts.

QUINN RIVER, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. This fire is burning in grass and sagebrush 80 miles north of Winnemucca, NV. Crews made good progress with containment efforts.

BULL BASIN, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. This fire is 75 miles north of Reno, NV. Increased winds were reported and some major interior torching was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
FISH	NV	CCD	11000	20	8/15	377	9	18	3	4		577K
MURPHY	NV	HTF	7510	50	8/13	421	13	14	6	4		NR
SHEEP	NV	EKD	20000	10	8/16	91	5	14	0	0		NR
KRUM	NV	WID	12099	80	8/12	56	2	4	0	0		NR
JORDAN MEADOWS	NV	CNC	500	40	UNK	33	1	4	0	0		NR
QUINN RIVER	NV	CNC	950	90	8/12	63	2	0	0	0		NR
BULL BASIN	NV	CNC	1000	40	8/12	126	5	2	1	0		NR
PLEASANT VALLEY	NV	CCD	775	100	---	147	7	4	1	0		NR
ANTELOPE	NV	CCD	900	100	---	120	3	2	0	1		NR

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

HOPPE COMPLEX, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Milburn) will

transition in this morning. This complex is 15 miles northwest of Gardiner, MT and consists of the Hoppe and Monitor Creek fires. Helicopter bucket drops were utilized to assist crews on the south and west perimeters. A burnout operation was conducted along the northeast corner of the perimeter.

TACO, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. This fire is ten miles east of Riggins, ID. Spot fires continue to be a concern along the west perimeter and above a local road.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
HOPPE COMPLEX	MT	GNF	875	53	UNK	216	5	1	8	0	1.4M
TACO	ID	NPF	2500	60	8/12	531	16	16	4	0	1.3M
ARTHUR	WY	YNP	2800	100	---	587	12	8	8	0	6M

YNP = Yellowstone National Park

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

FALCON, Bridger-Teton National Forest. This fire is located in the Teton Wilderness, 48 miles northeast of Jackson, WY. Due to the remoteness of the fire, safety and logistical concerns, a confinement strategy was implemented to keep the fire west of Falcon creek. Minimal activity was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
FALCON	WY	BTF	190	20	UNK	9	0	0	0	0	NR

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MAD CREEK, Routt National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Cook) is assigned. Fire will transition back to the local District office today. This fire is in the Mount Zirkel Wilderness Area, 11 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. This fire is being managed under a confinement suppression strategy. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MAD CREEK	CO	RTF	1270	95	9/1	3	0	0	0	0	904K

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CAMP SWIFT, Texas State Forest Service. This fire burning in southern pine, live oak, cedar and brush is 30 miles east of Austin, TX. Containment is being hampered by heavy fuels, spotting and limited access.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CAMP SWIFT	TX	TXS	200	60	8/12	42	0	12	0	0	NR
GEARY	OK	ANA	256	100	---	31	NR	NR	NR	0	10K

ANA = Anadarko Agency, BIA

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED EAST OF THE SIERRA AND CASCADE CREST, AFFECTING THE MODOC, LASSEN, AND EXTREME EAST SIDE OF PLUMAS COUNTIES, DUE TO INCREASED WINDS AND EXCEPTIONALLY LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN MUCH OF OREGON FOR THUNDERSTORMS AND DRY THUNDERSTORMS ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE SOUTH WASHINGTON CASCADES AND EASTERN WASHINGTON FOR THUNDERSTORMS AND DRY THUNDERSTORMS ***

High pressure residing over northern California is slowly weakening as a trough of low pressure sweeps across the state. This will bring mostly clear conditions with a slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms near the Oregon border. High temperatures will be in the upper 80's to 100 inland, with minimum relative humidity ranging from 6 to 10 percent east of the Sierra and Cascade crests. Winds will be light in the morning with afternoon winds from 8 to 15 mph, gusting to 25 mph.

An upper level disturbance will move from the south to the north, enhancing the likelihood of thunderstorm development, especially along the Cascades. Inland high temperatures west of the Cascades will be in the mid 70's to lower 90's, and east of the Cascades will be in the mid 80's to near 100. Minimum relative humidity will range from 25 to 45 percent west of the Cascades, 12 to 25 percent east, and single digits likely in northeast Washington, the Columbia Basin and the Blue Mountains. Winds will be gusty east of the Cascades due to intense afternoon heating, and gusts up to 45 mph possible near any thunderstorms.

An upper level ridge will continue to dominate over Nevada with residual subtropical moisture producing a few mostly wet thunderstorms, with some increase in moisture over the southern areas. This will bring mostly sunny to partly cloudy conditions with a chance of isolated to widely scattered afternoon and early evening thunderstorms. High temperatures will be 75 to 85 in the mountains, 90's in the valleys, and 90's to around 100 south. Minimum relative humidity will range from 12 to 25 percent. Winds will be

west at 5 to 15 mph across the state.

Strong high pressure will move into the Northern Rockies with a somewhat unstable south to southwest flow resulting in the possibility of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. This will bring partly cloudy skies with isolated thunderstorms developing late in the afternoon. High temperatures will be in the upper 70's to lower 90's, with minimum relative humidity ranging from 20 to 35 percent. Winds will be northeast to southeast at 5 to 15 mph, with gusts up to 25 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					2		2
ALASKA	ACRES					0		0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	4	30		2	8	78	122
NORTHWEST	ACRES	1	21211		0	1008	52	22272
CA-NORTH	FIRES	3	4	3	3	15	9	37
CA-NORTH	ACRES	2	1500	0	0	0	30	1532
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		1			14	1	16
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		0			25	30	55
NORTHERN	FIRES					2	7	9
NORTHERN	ACRES					0	103	103
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	5			7	4	17
GB-EAST	ACRES	0	0			7	21	28
GB-WEST	FIRES		7			2	7	16
GB-WEST	ACRES		37252			6	1517	38775
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	3	2			1	8	14
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	1	1			1	1	4
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		6			1	3	10
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		11			0	1	12
EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
EASTERN	ACRES						5	5
SOUTHERN	FIRES	1				21		22
SOUTHERN	ACRES	1				330		331
TOTAL	FIRES	12	55	3	5	73	119	267
TOTAL	ACRES	5	59975	0	0	1377	1760	63117

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	15	2	301	3	325
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210138	3263	221939
NORTHWEST	FIRES	201	317	28	29	1133	996	2704
NORTHWEST	ACRES	10702	120360	11987	7	24742	18510	186308
CA-NORTH	FIRES	111	45	7	23	2144	792	3122
CA-NORTH	ACRES	182	3107	5868	5	35477	15056	59695
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	34	68	16	50	1531	494	2193

CA-SOUTH	ACRES	24	1351	1263	211	13195	17763	33807
NORTHERN	FIRE	670	27	14	26	485	413	1635
NORTHERN	ACRES	8016	3930	391	2803	10343	4180	29663
GB-EAST	FIRES	53	701		45	705	621	2125
GB-EAST	ACRES	755	71455		913	118152	11628	202903
GB-WEST	FIRES	13	408	2	13	91	170	697
GB-WEST	ACRES	8936	144654	1	104	42661	19695	216051
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1123	154	15	42	667	1469	3470
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5327	5131	4478	1083	26388	20231	62638
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	304	480	28	48	354	479	1693
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2013	9022	300	172	9644	7268	28419
EASTERN	FIRES	330		10	48	9811	441	10640
EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	39684	5481	60533
SOUTHERN	FIRES	30		58	1081	22847	663	24679
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4685		19298	37329	606755	18606	686673
TOTALS	FIRES	2871	2202	193	1407	40069	6541	53283
TOTALS	ACRES	55494	360095	45215	48965	1137179	141681	1788629

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 57,825
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 2,481,915

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES		1					1
GB-EAST	ACRES		0					0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
SOUTHWEST	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES						1	1
SOUTHERN	ACRES						218	218
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	218	218

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		3	1	6
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		449	1081	2280
NORTHWEST	FIRES	17	66	9			314	406
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	4801	7194			50057	66408
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	5	1		41	73
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	615	10		9512	10499
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	3	2		41	48
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		5498	5892
NORTHERN	FIRES	20	7	89		44	301	461
NORTHERN	ACRES	1733	5840	12170		4309	29906	53958
GB-EAST	FIRES		8	4	3	9	40	64
GB-EAST	ACRES		817	1890	177	1490	8876	13250
GB-WEST	FIRES		5		1		2	8
GB-WEST	ACRES		804		0		182	986
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	26	11		2	192	244
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21197	35634		500	58301	117834
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	91	3	2	50	167
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	13602	303	762	26747	48306
EASTERN	FIRES	10		68	10	320	126	534
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17861	1355	43868	16085	87810
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		182	13	145	881	1228
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		53257	30099	87919	702276	874269
TOTAL	FIRES	89	140	463	33	525	1989	3239
TOTAL	ACRES	20412	37968	143176	32118	139297	908521	1281492

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				2		1	3
NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				27		10	37
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				206		50	256
NORTHERN	FIRES				7		11	18
NORTHERN	ACRES				0		53	53
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES		20					20
GB-WEST	ACRES		1161					1161
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2		21	23
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1104		7185	8289
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		17	1	2		9	29
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2810	48	934		603	4395
EASTERN	FIRES							0

EASTERN	ACRES									0
SOUTHERN	FIRES									0
SOUTHERN	ACRES									0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	37	1	40	0	52			130
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	3971	48	2245	0	7892			14156

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	844	2865
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	62	16283
ALBERTA	2	5	774	151675
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	123	89025
SASKATCHEWAN	3	85	621	172010
MANITOBA	1	56	449	71589
ONTARIO	74	38	1124	10315
QUEBEC	24	5	803	21546
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	0	149	638
NEW BRUNSWICK	7	2	347	497
NOVA SCOTIA	1	0	320	260
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	11	22
NATIONAL PARKS	1	127	70	7823
TOTALS	116	318	5697	544548

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews Fed	Crews ST/OT	Engs Fed	Engs ST/OT	Heli Fed	Heli ST/OT	Airt Fed	Airt ST/OT	Ovrhd Fed	Ovrhd ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	29	63	103	154	6	12	6		295	88
CA-NORTH	113	124	127	137	10	20	4		448	440
CA-SOUTH	11	5	18	3	6	1	1		5	1
NORTHERN	31	4	12	14	12	10	1		342	79
GB-EAST	12	2	8	1	4				44	9
GB-WEST	20	29	62	44	9	8			174	44
SOUTHWEST	11		14		2	1			21	
ROCKY MTN			3	7	2				4	4
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN				12						12
TOTAL	227	227	347	372	51	52	12	0	1333	677

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